

# KAISER HOLDS UP RESIGNATION OF HIS CHANCELLOR

**Berlin Newspaper Declares That the Ruler of the Germans Has Postponed Decision Whether to Grant Von Bethmann-Hollweg's Request to Retire**

## WILLIAM CALLS CROWN PRINCE TO CONFER

**Declares That Reforms Demanded by the Reichstag Concern Not Only Himself but His Successor, and Council Will Determine What Concessions to Make**

Berlin, British admiralty per wireless press, July 12.—Vossische Zeitung of Berlin says that Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg has resigned and that the emperor has postponed decision whether to accept the resignation.

An official communication issued in Berlin says that the emperor expressed the opinion that the political and constitutional reforms demanded by the Reichstag concern not merely himself but his successor, since they would be permanent. For this reason the emperor summoned the crown prince to attend the crown council, at which a decision of the extent to which the government will make concessions will be reached.

Paris, July 12.—A dispatch from Basel to the Havas agency says that Emperor William has addressed to the chancellor a rescript, under the terms of which a bill to be submitted to the Prussian Diet as a complement to his Easter message must be drawn on a basis of equal voting rights.

## U-BOAT FAILURE IS ACCENTUATED BY BRITISH REPORT

**Only 14 British Merchantmen of More Than 1600 Tons Were Lost Last Week, the Record Being Next to Lowest Since Plan of Reporting Weekly Was Started.**

London, July 12.—The sinking of fourteen British merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons is reported in the weekly summary of shipping losses, issued here yesterday. The official statement follows:

"Arrivals, 2,798; sailings, 2,798. British merchant ships sunk by mine or submarine over 1,600 tons, including one previously, fourteen; under 1,600 tons, three.

"British merchant ships unsuccessfully attacked, including four previously, seventeen.

"British fishing vessels sunk, including one previously, seven."

The increasing effectiveness of the measures against submarines which are being carried out by British and American warships is shown in the record of the last week. With one exception the number of merchantmen sunk is the lowest of any week since the British inaugurated in March the system of giving out weekly reports. The report of March 11 showed 17 merchantmen sunk, the same total as is shown in the last week's summary.

The preceding report gave the sinking of 15 vessels over 1,600 tons and five under that size. In the two earlier periods the totals were respectively 28 and 32. This compares with the sinking of 40 large merchantmen in one week and 38 in another at the height of the campaign in April. In the week ended April 21, 55 vessels in all were sunk.

## MORE OF COCCI'S CONFESSION.

**Told How He Killed Ruth Cruger in His Shop.**

New York, July 12.—Ruth Cruger earned a chance to save her life by giving a pledge to keep silence about the attack upon her by Alfredo Cocchi, according to additional details of the murderer's confession made public here last night by District Attorney Swann. When the high school girl continued to scream for help, Cocchi is quoted as having said, he struck her three blows on the head, which killed her. Then he buried the body in the cellar of his bicycle shop, covering the excavation he had made only with a wooden box. He put on a pair of leather gloves to wear while moving the body and then washed them with benzine.

It was not until the next day, the confession said, that Cocchi covered the body with coal, pieces of iron, parts of motorcycles and whatever he would find. Detectives visited the shop that afternoon, went down into the cellar with him, made a brief examination and then left, he declared.

Cocchi said he sailed from New York Feb. 27 on the steamship Manchester for Havre, working his passage. He was not permitted to land at an English port, but got ashore at Tarrus by representing himself to be an Italian reservist.

## TEUTONS LOSE HEADQUARTERS

**Russians Capture Kalusz, According to Semi-Official Statement**

**ARE CONTINUING THEIR GREAT DRIVE**

**Ministry of War Hears of Large Number of Prisoners Taken**

The Russian offensive in Galicia is developing into a drive with no let-up, as far as Korniloff's armies are concerned. The capture of Halicz was followed to-day by the occupation of Kalusz, southeast of Stanislaw. Kalusz, where the German headquarters were situated, was stubbornly defended but after a sanguinary battle the Russians pushed into the town.

The German attack on Monday on the Belgian coast ceased with the capture of a small sector east of the Yser. The official announcements record no further fighting of moment in this region. On the Verdun and Aisne fronts a number of German attacks were repulsed by the French.

Petrograd, July 12.—The Russians have captured Kalusz, the headquarters of the enemy in Galicia, according to a semi-official announcement to-day. The ministry of war received information that the Russian troops are continuing their successful advance and have taken a large number of prisoners.

## BRITISH LOST 1,800 ALL TOLD NEAR NIEUPORT

**German Attack Has Quitted Down for the Present at Least—British Had Only Two Battalions at That Point.**

London, July 12.—The total British casualties resulting from the German success near Nieuport, Belgium, on Tuesday were about 1,800, including prisoners. These figures were given by Maj. Gen. Maurice, chief director of the military operations to-day. The section captured by the Germans was defended by only two battalions. The German claim of 1,250 prisoners he considered probably accurate.

The British official statement last night was as follows: "The extreme intensity of the enemy's artillery fire on the Nieuport front has now diminished. Our artillery continues actively.

"The enemy attacked our advance posts east of Monchy-le-Preux this morning on a front of about 800 yards and succeeded in pressing some of them back very slightly. An attempt by the enemy to rush one of our posts north-west of Lens early this morning was driven off, one wounded prisoner remaining in our hands.

"Bad weather yesterday prevented any aerial activity on either side until evening. During the night we bombed two enemy airbases. All our machines returned safely."

## GERMAN BRUTALITY REVEALED.

**Harsh and Cruel Treatment of Deported Belgians Proven.**

Havre, June 20 (correspondence of the Associated Press).—The Belgian government has received evidence proving that deported Belgian civilians are subjected to mistreatment to force them to labor for the German army. The evidence exposes insufficient food, cruel punishment, brutal intimidation and hard conditions of labor.

One measure to bring the deported men to submission is to fetter them to posts where they are exposed to the heat or the cold for days together. Another cruelty is a severe application of a Turkish bath. The son of an Antwerp manufacturer and several comrades were shut in a small room under high temperature for a day and a night and then were taken to an open field, divested of their clothing and exposed to a snowstorm for a day and a half. Some fell unconscious. All were taken to a hospital the next day, and the manufacturer's son died of mistreatment.

## AUTO PITCHED INTO RIVER.

**And Two Persons, Caught Underneath, Were Drowned.**

Portsmouth, N. H., July 12.—Joseph Grove and his daughter, Miss Mary Grove, of Laconia, N. H., were drowned in Spruce creek, on the York post road between this city and York, Me., yesterday afternoon, when an automobile in which they were riding struck a loose plank on a bridge over the creek, plunged through the railing and overturned in the water. The victims were pinned beneath the machine at the bottom of the creek and drowned in ten feet of water.

Rev. Joseph Creeden, a Catholic priest of Laconia, and operator of the car, saved the lives of two other passengers, Miss May Hurley of Manchester and Rev. Michael Griffin of Exeter, N. H., keeping them afloat despite severe injuries to their own shoulders and arms, until aid arrived.

The accident occurred five miles from this city while the automobile party was returning from a trip to Ogunquit, Me.

## INSTANTLY KILLED.

**D. H. Woodsum Victim of Auto Collision on Slippery Road.**

Topsfield, Mass., July 12.—D. H. Woodsum, 60 years old, chairman of the board of selectmen of Braintree, was instantly killed and five others with him in an automobile were injured on the Newburyport turnpike late yesterday. The machine swerved on the slippery road into another car, and overturned, with the occupants under it, and caught fire.

The second automobile kept the road, and its lone occupant, a Mr. Hall of Framingham, assisted other automobilists who came up in removing the injured and the body of Mr. Woodsum from the wreckage.

Mrs. Woodsum and Mrs. Ralph Wiggin of Braintree were taken to the hospital at Peabody suffering with burns. They are expected to recover. Mrs. Wiggin's eight-year-old daughter, Barbara, was slightly bruised. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Richardson of Lebanon, N. H., the other occupants of the overturned machine, were treated for cuts and bruises at the office of Dr. Byron Sanborn.

Mr. Richardson was driving the machine, a large touring car, which was owned by Mr. Woodsum. The party were on their way from Lebanon to Braintree.

## ALLEGED TO BE SLACKER.

**Editor John Reid of Colebrook (N. H.) Sentinel Put Under Bonds.**

Concord, N. H., July 12.—John Reid, editor of the Colebrook Sentinel, a paper of considerable circulation in northern New Hampshire, was brought here yesterday afternoon in charge of United States Deputy Marshal Guy Murchie as a slacker. After a hearing before United States Commissioner Burns P. Hodgman he was held in \$1,000 bail for examination on Friday.

With Reid came his alleged twin brother, William, who retained J. Edward Flynn of this city as counsel.

The case is no ordinary one. Reid got possession of the Colebrook paper some three months ago, and certain utterances which have appeared in its columns did not please the federal authorities. His arrest is understood to have been brought about at the instance of the executive department of New Hampshire.

Reid is youthful in appearance, but his alleged twin brother, who came to the office with counsel, appeared at least half a dozen years younger. Reid's defense was that he failed to register because he is only 20 years old, and that if he is guilty of a federal offense, his twin brother is equally guilty.

In answer to questions by Commissioner Hodgman, he admitted he had taken out an automobile registration card on June 1, last, in which he stated under oath that he was born in 1890. He also admitted that when he was married in Richmond, Vt., two years and nine months ago, he made affidavit that his age was 22 years.

## BOYS CONFESS THEFTS.

**Series of Breaks in St. Johnsbury Since July 3.**

St. Johnsbury, July 12.—Three boys, aged 13 and 14, have been taken by the police in connection with a series of burglaries which have been in progress in St. Johnsbury since the 3d of July. The boys are Edwin Carter, Modeste Dupuis and Edmond Desjardis, all of this town. Carter was taken by the police a few days ago, his case was heard before Judge Frye and he has been placed in the hands of the probation officer.

The pair taken yesterday afternoon confess to breaking and entering the stores of E. N. Randall, Charles C. Locke, Henry J. Goodrich, Beauregard brothers, E. G. Asselin and the grist mill of E. T. and H. K. Ide. The Randall store was entered the night before the Fourth of July and last Sunday night. A total of between four and five dollars was taken in the two breaks. Materials were taken from the Locke store; Goodrich claims to be out \$1.06; \$9.97 was removed from the Beauregard cash drawer; Asselin's store was entered by the way of the fire escape and a rear window and \$20 taken from the register, and the Ide cash books show a deficit of 29 cents.

Thursday night last the boys took the automobile of the Beauregard brothers and enjoyed a trip to Danville and back. One of the boys knows how to run a car. Another trip was taken about the country in A. L. Bragg's machine.

## "POLIO" IN RICHMOND.

**Is First Case to Break Out in Chittenden County This Year.**

Burlington, July 12.—Two-year-old Paul Kenyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kenyon of Richmond, whose illness was diagnosed by Edward Taylor of the state board of health as poliomyelitis, is the first case in Chittenden county this year. The Richmond board of health has ordered that no child under 15 years of age be allowed to leave the town and this with the present regulations now in force here are expected to prove effective.

Dr. H. A. Ladd and Dr. Edward Taylor, who are both in Montpelier, reported no new cases yesterday. The situation in Washington county seems quiet but the authorities fear that it may mean simply that the disease is spreading into other districts.

## BODY NOT FOUND.

**St. Johnsbury Child Disappearance Case Not Fathomed.**

St. Johnsbury, July 12.—The body of little Alice Bradshaw, for whose murder last Thursday afternoon Mrs. Mary Hicks and Mrs. Alvah Kennerson are being held, is still missing. Neither woman would make any statement relative to what disposal was made of the body.

## SWEDEN FEELS RESENTMENT

**Over Alleged Misrepresentation of Her Exports and Imports**

**WASHINGTON MES-SAGE CALLED UNTRUE**

**The Stockholm Newspapers Charge Washington Govt. with Inconsistency**

Stockholm, July 12.—General resentment has been aroused in Sweden by a dispatch from Washington, purporting to give an official report on Sweden's exports and imports. The report says that Sweden exports quantities of materials for making munitions, including iron ore, manganese, steel, copper, zinc and wood pulp and imports iron ore from America to replace the surplus export. The paper charges inconsistency, saying that America protested against the same policy that Washington now threatens to adopt.

The Associated Press has received a statement from an authoritative source which says that it is no secret that Sweden exports iron ore but that it exports to England and other countries and that the proportions are nearly the same as before the war. Wood pulp is sent to Germany; also to America, France and other countries. The statements that Sweden exports sulphur and zinc to Germany and imports iron ore from America are untrue.

## MAKE APPEAL TO PRES. WILSON FOR HIS VIEWS

**He Is Asked to Outline His Ideas of Compromise in Food Control Bill in Order to Hasten Action.**

Washington, D. C., July 12.—Democratic leaders of the Senate, finding it almost impossible to reconcile the conflicting views on the food control bill, decided to-day to appeal to President Wilson to outline his opinion of what compromise should be agreed upon to hasten action.

The Senate agricultural committee decided not to make any recommendations regarding the Gore substitute bill. Senator Gore plans to offer it as an individual proposition with the understanding that many provisions will have general favor of those in the pending bill. If the president does not object the leaders are said to believe that the Gore substitution embraces the ideas for compromise legislation.

## TRIPLE FUNERAL HELD.

**For Members of the Hofrichter Family Drowned in Winooski River.**

Burlington, July 12.—A triple funeral of Edith, Mary and Max Hofrichter, drowned in the Winooski river together with Frank Baldwin when a power boat in which they were riding with eight others capsized last Sunday, was held in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception yesterday morning. Rev. Joseph F. Gillis officiated, and the cathedral was crowded as it has not been at any funeral in recent years. Five wagon-loads of flowers were carried to the Hofrichter home to St. Joseph's cemetery.

The husband and remaining child, Anna, supported the heavy steps of Mrs. Hofrichter into the cathedral. The body of Max Hofrichter was placed in front of the altar in a casket of quartered oak; that of his two sisters in caskets of silver gray broadcloth.

The mass was a solemn high mass of requiem, Rev. W. H. Cassidy acting as celebrant, Rev. J. F. Gillis as deacon and Rev. P. J. Liddy as sub-deacon.

## FELL OFF STEPLADDER.

**Miss Maggie Morrisey Died in Few Minutes of a Shock.**

Waterbury, July 12.—Miss Maggie Morrisey, a long time resident of this town, died quite suddenly at the home of Mrs. Harriet Moody this forenoon. She was engaged in housework with Mrs. Moody and was on a stepladder when suddenly she fell backwards. When picked up she was still alive but death followed before a physician arrived, the cause being a shock.

The deceased was born in Northfield about 70 years ago, the daughter of John and Ann O'Connor Morrisey. She spent 18 years in the home of Dr. Fales of Waterbury. She is survived by two brothers, Charles and Michael and a sister, Miss Mary of Waterbury, and a sister, Ann of Northampton, Mass. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

## PASSED THE HOUSE.

**Administration Trading with the Enemy Bill.**

Washington, July 12.—The administration's trading with the enemy bill, containing prohibitions against business intercourse with any country with which the United States is at war or its allies except under license, and providing for governmental seizure of the property of alien enemies and enemy patents, passed the House yesterday without a record vote.

The enemy property seizure section providing that an official custodian take over all such holdings and that their disposition after the war be left to Congress was approved after a sharp attack by Representative Hill of Connecticut.

## EXCURSION TO FORT IS CALLED OFF

**Owing to Protest Raised By Brig. Gen. Dickman, U. S. A., Against Incoming of People from Washington County.**

Taking its cue from Brig. Gen. J. T. Dickman, U. S. A., who addressed a carefully worded letter to the chief of police yesterday, the special alderman committee appointed by Mayor E. C. Glysson to arrange for the municipal auto trip to Fort Ethan Allen Sunday, met last night and decided to abandon all plans for the excursion. In other words the outing is off the card. In a forceful letter which somehow left the impression that stronger phrases might be used if the chief communication was not effective, Gen. Dickman politely but firmly suggested that any picnic plans emanating from this section of Washington county would be displeasing to the military authorities at the post.

The general's letter had the desired effect, for no sooner did the committee assemble at city hall last night than it was decided to postpone indefinitely all plans for the ride. Originally it had been planned to furnish motor transportation to every family represented by a kinman at the fort, and plans this week had been permitted to go so far forward that a number of automobiles had been procured. It was understood that the committee did not dare estimate just how many fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, etc., would participate in the excursion, the number of inquiries received at the city clerk's office indicated that nearly everyone in Barre has a vacant chair at the family table. Barre and its neighboring towns immediately outlying have contributed two companies to the regiment and the number who were anxious to join in the farewell visit was naturally large.

The prevalence of infantile paralysis near Barre was the reason given by the military authorities for their objection to the proposed picnic and as the quarantine on certain Washington county centers of population is not likely to be removed for a week or 10 days at the earliest, there is little likelihood that any more excursion plans will have time to mature before the boys of the 1st Vermont regiment, who are to be called into the federal service at once, have been transferred from Fort Ethan Allen.

**Official Notice of Cancellation of Trip.**

By reason of the attitude taken by the commanding officer at Fort Ethan Allen towards the outbreak of infantile paralysis in Washington county, the excursion which the city council had planned for July 15 has been declared off for the present.

E. G. Glysson, Mayor.

## TROLLEY CARS COLLIDED.

**One Motorman and One Passenger Slightly Hurt at Burlington.**

Burlington, July 12.—Two cars of the Burlington Traction company met in head-on collision shortly after 6 o'clock last evening on the lower road to Winooski. The point where the cars came together is at a sharp curve in the highway. One of the cars was from Burlington and the other from Winooski, which was bringing mill help to their homes in the city.

The motorman on the car from Winooski evidently took a chance that he could make a switch on Winooski avenue ahead of the other car, which is contrary to general practice.

The vestibule of the car from Burlington was badly smashed and the motorman, Fred Sharpley, was knocked down and badly cut by the flying glass. A woman passenger on the car, Mary Crowley of Essex Junction, was also cut about the left arm and hand.

## ABOUT 45000 MEMBERS

**Of the Red Cross Society in Vermont—War Fund \$175,000.**

Burlington, July 12.—The total membership of the American Red Cross in Vermont has reached approximately 45,000 with occasional new members still coming in. During the actual campaign 32,000 were reported but the Vermont chapter already had 8,000 and the other 5,000 have been reported since.

The war fund has reached \$175,000, which is an increase of \$45,000 in the last two weeks. Of this total \$50,000 is on hand in actual cash.

Next week the war fund and membership headquarters will be consolidated with the general state headquarters in the Strong building in this city. Chairman Redfield Proctor will attend on Friday in Boston a conference of chapter officials of Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Vermont towns.

## CREDITED WITH 205.

**Enlistments Into Regular Army from Vermont.**

Despite the fact that news dispatches from Washington stated that Vermont enlistments to the regular army numbered only 85, Adjutant General Lee S. Tillotson received notice from the war department yesterday that 205 Vermonters have enlisted in the regular army and that the state will receive credit for the number toward its quota under the draft. Vermont is also credited with 1983 enlistments in the National Guard.

The enlistments by counties are as follows, the first number in the National Guard and the second in the regular army: Addison county, 25—13; Bennington, 57—19; Caledonia, 108—5; Chittenden, 318—53; Essex, 25—2; Franklin, 213—7; Grand Isle, 4—1; Lamoille, 57—4; Orange, 56—10; Orleans, 113—7; Rutland, 206—33; Washington, 326—25; Windham, 228—16; Windsor, 139—11.

## VERMONT QUOTA IS PUT AT 1,976

**New Draft Rating Would Call for That Number of Men**

**BARRE WOULD GIVE ABOUT 65 TO ARMY**

**Delay in Several States Will Hold Up the Drawing of Names**

Under the new estimate prepared by the war department, Vermont's quota of men under the forthcoming draft would be 1,976 men. Barre's quota would be approximately 65 men.

Washington, D. C., July 12.—Postponement until next week of the drawing of numbers of men who will be called for examination for the national army seemed probable when it became evident that states are not completing organization of their district exemption boards as rapidly as war department officials had hoped. Only 21 states have reported their organization complete, although in most others only a few districts are missing. The drawing will not be made until the lists for the country are complete.

A so-called revised census estimate for the entire country, compiled on the basis of the draft registration, will be for determining apportionments. Each city, county or state must furnish two-thirds of one per cent of its paper population, according to the new estimates, which were made for the purpose of equalizing the draft rather than to represent accurate population totals.

Thus New York City, with an estimated population of 6,504,185 must give 43,482 of 687,000 young men to be called on the first draft. A city with 25,000 population would be required to give 166 men. These apportionments would be subject to slight allowances for alien enemies, for men who have volunteered and for other causes.

The population estimates, far from attempting to show actual populations, simply are improvised figures reached by considering the number of registrants in each sub-division as 9.32 per cent of the population, since the total registered, 9,659,382, was 9.32 per cent of the total estimated population, 103,635,300. The process resulted in large dummy population showings, for cities with war industries where there has been a recent inflow of workmen without their families. Since the figures are based on the number of men available for military service, however, officials consider the estimates fair as basis for apportionment.

Pleas for exemption of any man need not be made by him, but may be entered by a wife, other dependent, employer or any other third person, the provost-marshal-general's office explains in a statement. It also explained that any registered man absent from his home district need not return for physical examination but may be ordered by his home board to be examined elsewhere.

The dummy population estimates by states include: New Jersey, 3,255,407; New York, 11,187,798; Pennsylvania, 8,981,082; Vermont, 296,426.

Estimates of the leading cities include: New York (including Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond counties), 6,504,185; Philadelphia, 2,060,021; Pittsburgh, 722,425; Buffalo, 603,384; Newark, 469,281.

## TARDY CAMPAIGN STARTS.

**For Recruiting Vermont's Quota in the Regular Army.**

Burlington, July 12.—The regular army recruit depot at Fort Ethan Allen is anxious to hear from a few hundred other young Vermonters of good character, single, between 18 and 40 years of age, for enlistment in the army. No special training is necessary to enlist. Recruits are all trained progressively and efforts are made to utilize every man's special abilities to the fullest extent in the interest of the government as well as the individual.

Men enlisting now should have special opportunities for getting early training. Recruits are being enlisted and shipped to the camps at Syracuse, N. Y., Fort Myer, Va., and other training rendezvous in various parts of the country.

It is believed that many more young men would be glad to enlist if they were able to get desired information. The depot at the fort will be glad to answer all questions and recruits have no difficulty in getting passes or furloughs for a few days if necessary to return home and settle affairs.

## ATE POISON PILLS.

**Little Child Found Them in Pantry and Thought Them Candy.**

Randolph, Mass., July 12.—While riding with her father in the sidecar of his motorcycle yesterday, Eva G. Proctor, the 2-year-old daughter of Francis W. Proctor, ate some poison pills, mistaken for candy, which she had found in the pantry before starting. When the little one's head drooped the father tried to arouse her and failing, he carried her to a doctor, who said she was dead.